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Real Estate License Revocations

RICHMOND – The Virginia Real Estate Board revoked two salesperson licenses at its most recent meeting Thursday, May 10. Below is a summary of the Board's actions.

Copies of file orders are available online at www.dpor.virginia.gov under "License Lookup." Fines are deposited directly into the state Literary Fund, which is used solely for public education purposes such as school construction, renovation, and teacher retirement funding.

ISRAEL ROSA STERLING, VA

File Number 2007-03117

VIOLATION – Rosa failed to place an earnest money deposit (EMD) into the escrow account following contract ratification and failed to act in a manner as to safeguard the public's interest by allowing an inactive licensee to use his license.

BOARD ACTION - Revocation of License No. 0225064627 and \$150 in Board costs.

RONIL ENRIQUE ROSA WOODBRIDGE, VA

File Number 2007-02147

VIOLATION – Rosa, by failing to disclose a misdemeanor conviction, obtained a salesperson's license by false or fraudulent representation. An additional felony conviction constitutes unworthy or incompetent conduct. Rosa failed to notify the Board of both criminal convictions. BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 0225103914 and \$150 in Board costs.

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<u>About DPOR and the Virginia Real Estate Board:</u>
The Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR) regulates nearly 40 commercial occupations and certain professions. The agency licenses or certifies more than 300,000 individuals and businesses ranging from architects and contractors to cosmetologists and professional wrestlers.

DPOR investigates reports of regulatory violations by licensees; responds to business-related consumer inquiries and requests for license checks; administers recovery funds for consumers harmed in contractor or real estate transactions: and conducts mediation services and public awareness campaigns.

The Real Estate Board regulates approximately 80,000 businesses and individuals who represent others in property transactions. The Board administers the Virginia Real Estate Transaction Recovery Fund, which provides monetary relief to eligible consumers who incur losses through the improper and dishonest conduct of a licensed real estate practitioner. The fund is supported entirely by assessments paid by licensed real estate professionals, not by any tax revenues.

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